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This is a request for the filing of an Original (nonprovisional) Patent Application.

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) is the patent application entitled:

**IMPROVED METHOD OF FORMING A TUBULAR BLANK INTO A STRUCTURAL COMPONENT AND DIE THEREFOR**

☒ The inventor(s) of the subject patent application are as follows: George D. Pfaffmann;  
William C. Dykstra; and Marc R. Matsen

Enclosed are:

☒ 86 Pages of the specification, abstract and claims.

☒ 28 Sheets of drawings.

☐ Declaration or Oath.

☐ This application is not to be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b). It is certified that the invention disclosed in the application has not been and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing.

☐ The Assignee of this application is \_\_\_\_\_

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